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## OPGS News

### OPGS Transition Information

On October 1, 2010, the functions of the Office of Partnerships and Grant Services (OPGS) will be transferred to the Office of the City Administrator (OCA) and the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD). A Nonprofit Development Center will become part of the DSLBD, staffed by Lafayette Barnes and Pat Henry. While its services will continue in various capacities, contacts for the services will change. Below are the changes that may affect you **beginning October 1, 2010**:

*Funding Alert:* This weekly publication will continue. If you would like to post an announcement in the Funding Alert, contact Pat Henry at [pat.henry@dc.gov](mailto:pat.henry@dc.gov).

*District Grants Clearinghouse:* District agency grant opportunities will continue to be listed in the Funding Alert. You will also be able to find the opportunities on the OCA's website. All information that should be posted to the Clearinghouse should be sent to Gretchen Greiner-Lott at [gretchen.greiner@dc.gov](mailto:gretchen.greiner@dc.gov).

*Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC):* GIRC will be offered as part of DSLBD's Enhanced Business Information Center (e-BIC) at the Martin Luther King Jr., Library. Stay-tuned for information for GIRC operational hours.

*State Single Point of Contact (SPOC):* OCA will become the DC SPOC. The application will remain available online on the OCA's website. Gretchen Greiner-Lott will be the contact.

## Federal Opportunities

**Alliance for Information on Maternal and Child Health (AIM) Cooperative Agreement Program.** *Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to help individual organization members to make well informed decisions affecting public health policies and programs for women, children and families.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, unrestricted and community-based organizations.

Deadline: 10/21/2010

Funds: \$2,000,000 is available for 10 awards.

Contact: Sharon Adamo at (301) 443-3972 or [sadamo@hrsa.gov](mailto:sadamo@hrsa.gov)

Website: <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=771FCBB0-29B3-4E33-8E85-9C3A9F85FB63&ViewMode=EU&GoB>

Grant ID: GD4120

**Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program (COC).** *Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)* announces funds to reduce the incidence of homelessness in CoC communities by assisting homeless individuals and families move to self-sufficiency and permanent housing.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and DC government agencies.

Deadline: 11/18/2010

Funds: \$1,680,000,000 is available. A match is required.

Contact: NOFA Information Center at (800) 483-8929

Website: <http://www.grants.gov> and search for CFDA #14.235

Grant ID: GD4119

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## District Opportunities

### Electronic Grants Clearinghouse

The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services (OPGS) is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgs.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Office of Planning	FY 2011 Open-Project Historic Preservation Community Grants	October 1, 2010
Serve DC	AmeriCorps State Planning Grants	October 22, 2010
Office of the State Superintendent of Education	Pre-kindergarten Program	October 25, 2010
Department of Health	Bureau of Cancer and Chronic Disease Tobacco Control Program	October 29, 2010
Department of Health	FY 2011 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 Part A - Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA)-Wide Grant	November 1, 2010
Serve DC	FY2011 Americorps State Grants	November 17, 2010
DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities	Arts Grants	July 14, 2010 – February 9, 2011

## Foundation Opportunities

**Literacy Grants - Targeted Grants and Volunteer Resources.** Junior League of Washington announces funds to support programs that make a significant difference in the area of literacy. Priority will be given to programs and projects that address one of the following literacy concerns: 1) Lack of reading materials in the home; 2) Lack of reading materials and resources in school classrooms and libraries; and 3) Lack of exposure to reading out loud (ages 0-5).

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations.

Deadline: 10/25/2010

Funds: Two awards funded up to \$25,000.

Contact: [grantsandvolunteers@jlw.org](mailto:grantsandvolunteers@jlw.org)

Website: <http://www.jlw.org/>

Grant ID: GD4122

**Silent Hero Grant Program.** Got Breakfast? announces funds to increase access to breakfast programs to help fight obesity raise test scores and improve overall health in schools.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and schools.

Deadline: 11/15/2010

Funds: \$50,000 is available to fund awards up to \$5,000.

Contact: (866) 786-9028 or [info@gotbreakfast.org](mailto:info@gotbreakfast.org)

Website: <http://www.gotbreakfast.org/grants.php>

Grant ID: GD4121

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## Announcements and Resources

**The College Board: Costas Awards.** The Bob Costas Awards for the Teaching of Creative Writing support exceptional teachers who through their innovative teaching methods motivate their students to write. Winning teachers are awarded grants to enhance successful projects currently underway. Projects can be carried out in school (public or nonpublic), through an after-school writing workshop, or during a summer program. Maximum award: \$3,000. Eligibility: teachers from all academic disciplines grades 6-12. Deadline: November 19, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/costas>.

**The College Board: Inspiration Awards.** The Inspiration Awards celebrate America's most improved high schools, those that have improved their academic environment and helped their students achieve the promise of a higher education by initiating unique programs and creating partnerships among teachers, parents, community organizations, and local businesses. Maximum award: \$25,000. Eligibility: secondary schools (public and nonpublic) in which 40 percent or more of the students receive free or reduced-price lunches. Deadline: November 19, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/inspiration>.

**Free Grant Writing Workshop.** The Genesis Consulting Group, LLC will host a free grant writing workshop on Saturday, November 6. The 3-hour, hands-on workshop will cover grant writing essentials including: identifying funding sources, documenting community need, creating a letter of inquiry, developing goals and objectives, evaluating program success, creating budgets that work, developing the work plan, and “selling” your organization. The workshop will be held at the Bishop Alfred A. Owens Family Life Community Center, at 605 Rhode Island Ave, NE, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. A continental breakfast will be provided. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. For more information, go to: <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e31gq0yk784965ca&llr=jxjsj6dab>.

## Previous Announcements and Resources

**AMA/Leader to Leader Institute: AMA Scholarship.** The American Management Association (AMA) and Leader to Leader Institute scholarship program assists social-sector nonprofit organizations in developing strong leadership. The AMA Scholarship is designed to provide nonprofit leaders with an opportunity to step out of the day-to-day, interact with peers across sectors, and develop practical skills they can apply immediately within their organizations. Maximum award: one-year scholarship. Eligibility: employees of 501(c)3 organizations with a minimum of 3 years of work experience in the social sector. Deadline: December 15, 2010. For more information go to: <http://www.leadertoleader.org/collaboration/ama/index.html>.

**Celebrating Solutions Awards.** *Mary Byron Project*, a national organization working to address the root causes of domestic violence and help build safer, healthier communities, announces awards to showcase and applaud local innovations that demonstrate promise in breaking the cycle of violence. The program provides cash awards of \$10,000 to each organization. The awards would be presented to programs that can serve as models for the nation in their efforts to reduce violence. Eligible applicants are non-profits organizations and government agencies. Application deadline is November 19, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html>.

**Environmental Excellence Awards.** The 2011 SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the country who are working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment. Awards: Eight groups will be selected to receive a \$10,000 award. In addition, one outstanding environmental educator/leader will be selected to receive a \$5,000 award. Eligibility: K-12 schools (public, private, and licensed home schools); community-based projects, such as those managed and operated by community service organizations, public recreation centers, 4-H clubs, and other

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public, nonprofit groups working to protect the environment at the grassroots level. Deadline: December 5, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/>.

**Leavey Awards: Honoring Excellence in Private Enterprise Education.** Since 1977, the Freedoms Foundation and the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Foundation have honored outstanding teachers for bringing passion and creativity to their classrooms as they teach students about entrepreneurship and the free enterprise system. The awards program recognizes educators at the elementary, junior high school, high school, and college levels for innovative and effective techniques in teaching entrepreneurship and the free enterprise education. Up to twenty cash awards are made annually valued at \$7,500 each. One meritorious award of \$15,000 may be made for an outstanding entry. Nomination deadline: November 30, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.freedomsfoundation.org/Leavy-Awards.cfm>.

**The Lexus Eco Challenge.** Scholastic and Lexus, present the Lexus Eco Challenge, a program designed to inspire and empower middle and high school students to learn about the environment and take action to improve it. Students are invited to participate in the fourth annual Eco Challenge for a chance to win part of \$500,000 in grants and scholarships. Middle and high school teams comprised of five to ten students and one teacher advisor are invited to participate in one or both of the two initial challenges, each addressing different environmental elements — land/water and air/climate. The submission deadline for Challenge One (Land/Water) is November 3, 2010. The deadline for Challenge Two (Air/Climate) is January 19, 2011. To learn more, go to: <http://www.scholastic.com/lexus/>.

**Mr. Holland's Opus Music Foundation Offers Support for Musical Instruments.** Mr. Holland's Opus Music Foundation Grants have two programs, the Melody Program that targets qualified school music programs in need of assistance, and the Special Projects Program that targets community schools of the arts, after school programs and youth orchestras in need of assistance. Programs fund instrument repair and the acquisition of new instruments up to \$10,000; no cash grants. Eligibility: school music programs K-12; community schools of the arts, after-school programs, and youth orchestras. Deadline: pre-application - October 1, 2010. For more information go to: <http://www.mhopus.org/Apply>.

**National Gardening Association/Subaru: Healthy Sprouts Award.** The Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award recognizes and supports youth gardening programs focused on teaching about the environment, nutrition, and hunger issues in the United States. Maximum award: a \$500 gift certificate to the Gardening with Kids catalog and online store, for basic youth gardening supplies and supporting educational materials; NGA's Eat a Rainbow Kit; a literature package from NGA. Eligibility: schools or organizations planning to garden in 2011 with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18. The selection of winners is based on a demonstrated relationship between the garden program and education about environmental, nutrition, and hunger issues in the United States. Deadline: October 1, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants/healthysprouts.asp>.

**NEA Foundation: Learning & Leadership Grants.** These grants support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of two purposes. Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research; grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. Maximum award: \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. Eligibility: public school teachers grades K-12; public school education support professionals; or faculty and staff at public higher education institutions. Deadline: October 15, 2010. For more information, go to: [http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/Learning&Leadership\\_Guidelines.htm](http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/Learning&Leadership_Guidelines.htm).

**NEA Foundation: Student Achievement Grants.** These grants provide funds to improve the academic achievement of students by engaging in critical thinking and problem-solving that deepen knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Maximum award: \$5,000. Eligibility: practicing US public school teachers, public school education

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support professionals, or faculty or staff at public higher education institutions. Deadline: October 15, 2010. For more information, go to: [http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/StudentAchievement\\_Guidelines.htm](http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/StudentAchievement_Guidelines.htm).

**Nestlé USA: Very Best in Youth Program.** This program honors young people ages 13 to 18 who have excelled in school and who are making their community and the world a better place. Maximum award: \$1,000. Eligibility: youth ages 13 and 18 years of age who demonstrate good citizenship, a strong academic record, and can show how they have made a special contribution to their school, church, or the community. Entrants must have permission from a parent or legal guardian to submit nomination. Deadline: November 1, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://verybestinyouth.nestleusa.com/About/Default.aspx>.

**Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.** The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program annually honors middle and high school students across the United States for helping the less fortunate, promoting health and safety, protecting the environment, and serving their communities through many other volunteer activities. Applications must be completed by November 1, 2010. To learn more and to apply, go to: <http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc>.

**Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award for Exemplary Humanities Programming.** The American Library Association Public Programs Office is accepting nominations for the 2011 award. Public or private school libraries that serve children in any combination of grades K through eight and that conducted humanities programs during the 2009-10 school year are eligible. The award consists of a \$4,000 honorarium and a plaque, to be presented at the 2011 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. To be considered, applicant libraries must have conducted a humanities program or program series during the prior school year (2009-10). For more information, go to: <http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/ppo/awardsgrants/jaffarian/jaffarian.cfm>.

**Teacher Grants.** *Kids In Need Foundation* provides K-12 educators with funding to provide innovative learning opportunities for their students. The Kids In Need Foundation helps to engage students in the learning process by supporting our nation's teachers. Eligibility: All certified K-12 teachers in the U.S. Awards range from \$100 - \$500. Deadline: September 30, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.kinf.org/grants/>.

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